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**DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION (JOINT OR SOLE)**  
(Under 37 CFR § 1.63; with Power of Attorney)  
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:  
My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,  
I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original,  
first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a  
patent is sought on the invention ENTITLED:

**SIGNAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING METHOD AND APPARATUS, SIGNAL RECORD MEDIUM  
AND SIGNAL TRANSMISSION/RECEPTION METHOD AND APPARATUS**

the specification of which

\_\_\_ is attached hereto.

x was filed on August 15, 1996 as Application Serial No. 08/628,082,  
with amendment(s) through \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable, give dates).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification,  
including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known  
to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56.

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application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign  
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Prior Foreign Application(s)	List additional applications on separate page:	Priority Claimed:		
Number:	Country:	Filed (Day/Month/Year):	Yes	No
07-217921	Japan	25/08/95	x	
08-144354	Japan	06/06/96		x

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s)  
listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the  
prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112,  
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application:

Prior U.S. Application(s)	List additional applications on separate page:	
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